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**LEGISLATIVE BILL 453**

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Committee: Transportation and Telecommunications

A BILL

1 FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Rules of the Road; to amend  
2 section 60-6,219, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska;  
3 to change provisions relating to motor vehicle  
4 headlights; and to repeal the original section.  
5 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1           Section 1. Section 60-6,219, Reissue Revised Statutes of  
2 Nebraska, is amended to read:

3           60-6,219 (1) Every motor vehicle upon a highway within  
4 this state during the period from sunset to sunrise and at any other  
5 time when there is not sufficient light to render clearly discernible  
6 persons or vehicles upon the highway at a distance of five hundred  
7 feet ahead shall be equipped with lighted headlights and taillights  
8 as respectively required in this section for different classes of  
9 vehicles.

10           (2) Every motor vehicle, other than a motorcycle, a road  
11 roller, or road machinery, shall be equipped with two or more  
12 headlights, at the front of and on opposite sides of the motor  
13 vehicle. The headlights shall be clear or of a white color and shall  
14 comply with the requirements and limitations set forth in sections  
15 60-6,221 and 60-6,223.

16           (3) Every motor vehicle and trailer, other than a  
17 motorcycle, a road roller, or road machinery, shall be equipped with  
18 one or more taillights, at the rear of the motor vehicle or trailer,  
19 exhibiting a red light visible from a distance of at least five  
20 hundred feet to the rear of such vehicle.

21           (4) Every motorcycle shall be equipped with at least one  
22 and not more than two headlights and with a taillight exhibiting a  
23 red light visible from a distance of at least five hundred feet to  
24 the rear of such motorcycle. The headlights shall comply with the  
25 requirements and limitations set forth in sections 60-6,221 and

1 60-6,223.

2 (5) The requirement in this section as to the distance  
3 from which lights must render obstructions visible or within which  
4 lights must be visible shall apply during the time stated in this  
5 section upon a straight, level, unlighted highway under normal  
6 atmospheric conditions.

7 (6) It shall be unlawful for any owner or operator of any  
8 motor vehicle to operate such vehicle upon a highway unless:

9 (a) The condition of the lights and electric circuit is  
10 such as to give substantially normal light output;

11 (b) Each taillight shows red directly to the rear, the  
12 lens covering each taillight is unbroken, each taillight is securely  
13 fastened, and the electric circuit is free from grounds or shorts;

14 (c) There is no more than one spotlight except for law  
15 enforcement personnel, government employees, and public utility  
16 employees;

17 (d) There are no more than two auxiliary driving lights  
18 and every such auxiliary light meets the requirements for auxiliary  
19 driving lights provided in section 60-6,225;

20 (e) If equipped with any lighting device, other than  
21 headlights, spotlights, or auxiliary driving lights, which projects a  
22 beam of light of an intensity greater than twenty-five candlepower,  
23 such lighting device meets the requirements of subsection (4) of  
24 section 60-6,225; and

25 (f) If equipped with side cowl or fender lights, there

1 are no more than two such lights and each such side cowl or fender  
2 light emits an amber or white light.

3                   Sec. 2. Original section 60-6,219, Reissue Revised  
4 Statutes of Nebraska, is repealed.